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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 based upon Japanese Application No. 11-141069, filed May 21, 1999. As required by 37 C.F.R. 1.55, a certified copy of the Japanese application has been filed in parent Application No. 09/926,588, filed November 21, 2001.

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